

REMARKS/ARGUMENT

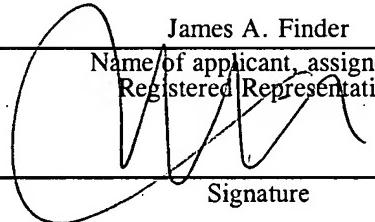
The applicant filed a response to a restriction requirement on March 31, 2003.

The applicant provisionally elected the product claims (Invention I) for examination.

To improve the form of these claims, previously independent product claims 1 and 6 are being amended to depend from the broadest product claim, claim 7. The scope of the claims is not being changed.

The Examiner is therefore requested to examine and allow independent product claim 7 and its dependent claims 1-6 and 8-11. The Examiner is further requested to withdraw the restriction between claim 7 and independent process claim 12, and examine and allow process claims 12-18 as well.

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